

BONITA SPRINGS ESTERO

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

# Village of Estero

January 4, 2017

**Vision:** To maintain and enhance an economically diverse region for living and working while preserving our natural resources.

**Mission:** To be the local area's economic development resource partner for promoting business and workforce retention, development, and growth.



### **Investors**

#### 26 Total Private Investors including:

- 6 Estero Based Investors
- 8 Bonita Springs Based Investors
- 3 Fort Myers Based Investors
- 9 Regional Investors



### **Board of Directors**

15 Voting Members of the Board of Directors Including:

- 2 from Estero
- 4 from Bonita Springs
- 1 from Fort Myers
- 6 Regional Representatives
- 1 Seat for the Village of Estero
- 1 Seat for the City of Bonita Springs



### **Resource Partners**

- City of Bonita Springs
- CenturyLink
- Bonita Springs Utilities, Inc.
- Bonita Springs Fire Control & Rescue District

### 2017-2019 Strategic Plan

- 1. Quality of Life
- 2. Workforce Development and Talent Retention and Recruitment
- 3. Business Retention and Expansion

# 2017-2019 Strategic Plan Quality of Life

#### Preserve and enhance our quality of life.

- Collaborate with resource partners and community initiatives to increase the amount and availability of attainable/workforce housing (\$950 -\$1,450 per month).
- Work in partnership with Healthy Lee and BlueZones. Healthy communities achieve improved education outcomes, attract more talented workers and are more productive and competitive.
- Promoting preservation of the environment, green spaces, parks and access to waterways.



### 2017-2019 Strategic Plan

## Workforce Development and Talent Retention and Recruitment

#### Create an environment to address current and future workforce needs.

- Provide a Community Engagement Showcase to encourage integration and employee retention.
- Create a talent retention and job placement program working with the Estero Chamber of Commerce and FGCU to establish connection and mentoring opportunities.
- Develop an area resource guide.
- Host annual job fair for recent graduates.



### 2017-2019 Strategic Plan

#### **Business Retention and Expansion**

#### Ensure the growth and prosperity of our community for local business.

- Serve as the resource for Estero and Bonita Springs based businesses to retain and grow the existing business base.
- Promote smart, sustainable growth to create high-wage jobs while protecting and improving the quality of life.
- Collaborate with the Southwest Florida Economic Development Alliance to attract new businesses to the region through national and international marketing campaigns.



### Village of Estero 2017 Investment Request

- Voting seat on the Board of Directors (Councilman of your choice)
- Resource Partner seat on Board of Directors (City Manager)

#### **Enterprise Team Investment of \$5,000**

- Company logo, link to website, and contact information on website investor page
- Recognition on banner at all EDC functions
- Company name and link to website on website investor page
- Company name and link to website in the monthly BSEEDC eNEWS

